



In re Application of:

MASATO OCHIAI

Application No.: 09/507,941

Filed: February 22, 2000

Docket No. 03500.014278.

Examiner: D. E. England

Group Art Unit: 2143

For: NETWORK DEVICE CONTROL APPARATUS,
NETWORK DEVICE CONTROL METHOD,
NETWORK DEVICE CONTROL PROGRAM,
AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING
MEDIUM STORING NETWORK CONTROL
PROGRAM THEREIN

Date: February 24, 2005

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THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a preliminary amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 18	MINUS	** 44	= 0	x \$25 \$50	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 7	MINUS	*** 8	= 0	x \$100 \$200	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0.00

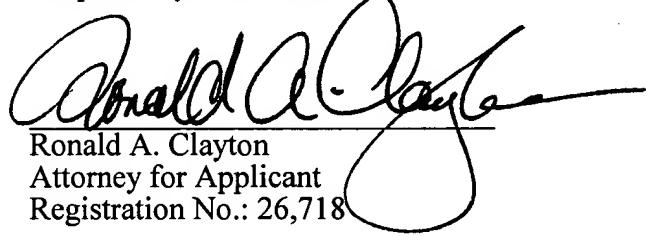
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- Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the fee for a _____ month extension is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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PATENT APPLICATION

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CONTROL METHOD, NETWORK)
DEVICE CONTROL PROGRAM, AND)
COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING)
MEDIUM STORING NETWORK)
CONTROL PROGRAM THEREIN : February 24, 2005

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A Request For Continued Examination (RCE), together with a Suspension of Action for a period of three months, were filed on November 24, 2004. The period of suspension is to end on February 24, 2005. Accordingly, preliminary to continued examination, please further amend the above-identified application in the following manner. Changes to claims are reflected in the listing beginning at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 9.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

February 24, 2005

(Date of Deposit)

Ronald A. Clayton (Reg. No. 26,718)
(Name of Attorney for Applicant)

Signature

February 24, 2005
Date of Signature